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**PATENT**

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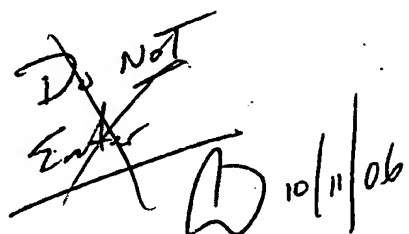
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: David A. Burton, et al. )  
Serial No.: 10/713,445 )  
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For: VIRTUAL INCREMENTAL STORAGE APPARATUS, ) Unit: 2188  
METHOD, AND SYSTEM )  
Examiner: Craig E. Walter )

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Examiner:



In response to the Office Action mailed on August 10, 2006, the Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks which point out that the case is in condition for allowance: